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[1](#)B. LJUBLJANA 313

Classified By: CDA Brad Freden, reasons 1.4(b,d)

[1](#)1. (C) On September 15, CDA met with Minister Plenipotentiary Stanislav Vidovic, Head of the Security Policy Division at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to review the renegotiation of an Exchange of Letters (EOL) with the Government of Iraq (GOI) for the NATO Training Mission in Iraq (NTM-I) (ref A). Vidovic said that Slovenia preferred an EOL to a SOFA and would instruct its NATO mission to that effect. He noted that he expected few NATO allies to oppose the EOL. Vidovic mentioned that after elections he would recommend increasing Slovenia's contribution to NTM-I from two to four troops, but that the decision depended on the result of the September 21 parliamentary elections (ref B).
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